## CHAPTER 85

(House Bill 333)

AN ACT concerning

Queen Anne's County - Payments to Volunteer Fire Companies

FOR the purpose of altering the annual payments to certain volunteer fire companies; altering the additional annual payments made to each volunteer fire company that operates an ambulance service approved by the Queen Anne's County Fire and Ambulance Commission; making certain stylistic changes; and generally relating to volunteer fire companies in Queen Anne's County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

The Public Local Laws of Queen Anne's County Section 1-601 Article 18 - Public Local Laws of Maryland (1983 Edition, as amended)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article 18 - Queen Anne's County

1-601.

The County Commissioners [of Queen Anne's County are authorized and directed to]  ${
m MAY}$  SHALL pay annually on or before [the 1st day of] October 1 of each year, [the sum of \$17,500] AT LEAST \$20,000 to each of the following named volunteer fire companies: Goodwill Fire Company, Incorporated; The Sudlersville Church Hill Company, Incorporated; Fire Incorporated; The Queenstown Volunteer Fire Company; Kent Island Volunteer Fire Department, [Inc.,] INCORPORATED, Grasonville Volunteer Fire Company, [Inc.,] INCORPORATED, The Crumpton Volunteer Fire Company, Incorporated, and the United Communities Volunteer Fire Department, Incorporated, and [the sum of \$5,850] AT LEAST \$6,666 to Queen Anne-Hillsboro Volunteer Fire Company, Incorporated, for the purchase, improvement, maintenance and operation of fire apparatus and fire equipment for the [said] volunteer fire companies. Each volunteer fire company in Queen Anne's County which operates an ambulance service approved by the Queen Anne's County [fire and ambulance commission] FIRE AND AMBULANCE COMMISSION {shall} MAY receive an additional annual payment of [\$4,500.] AT LEAST \$6,000. HOWEVER, IF THAT AMBULANCE SERVICE OPERATES MORE THAN ONE AMBULANCE IT MAY SHALL RECEIVE AN ADDITIONAL PAYMENT OF AT LEAST \$1,000. However, if the Queen